Production targets for BHEL units

†*204. MISS ANUSUIYA UIKEY: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether production targets are fixed in respect of the units of Bharat Heavy Electricals Ltd. situated in the country;

(b) the targets set for the year 2006-07, amount-wise along with unit-wise details thereof;

(c) the targets achieved so far by these units during the current year and whether the same are as per the action plan; and

(d) whether the remaining targets would be achieved by the end of this financial year and the details of action plan of the units for achieving these targets?

THE MINISTER OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) to (d) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement

(a) to (d) The production targets for various units are fixed by Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (BHEL) every year. The following table indicates targets fixed for these units for 2006-07 and the actuals achieved based on provisional (audited) figure upto third quarter and provisional (unaudited) figure upto February 2007 are as under:

Manufacturing Unit of BHEL and Location	Target for 2006-07 (in Rs. cr.)	Actuals Upto 3rd Quarter of 2006-07 (in Rs. cr.)	Provisional (unaudited) Actuals upto February'07 (in Rs. cr.)
1	2	3	4
High Pressure Boiler plant, Tiruchy, Tamil Nadu	4553	2804	3759
Boiler Auxiliaries Plant, Ranipet, Tamil Nadu	1047	669	871
Electronics Division, Bangalore, Karnataka	925	593	784

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

1	2	3	4
Electro-Porcelains Division, Bangalore, Karnataka	140	96	125
Insulator Plant, Jagdishpur, Uttar Pradesh	85	58	76
Central Foundry Forge Plant, Haridwar, Uttarakhand	260	152	199
Heavy Power Equipment Pland, Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh	2873	1722	2372
Industrial Valves Plant, Goindwal, Punjab	31	17	23
Component Fabrication Plant, Rudrapur, Uttarakhand	13	6	9
Heavy Electrical Equipment Plant Haridwar, Uttarakhand	1943	1225	1578
Heavy Electrical Plant, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh	2284	1109	1464
Transformer Plant, Jhansi, Uttar Pradesh	540	276	366
TOTAL:	14694	8727	11626

Built up of 'work in progress' in these manufacturing units of BHEL for the year 2006-07 is as per schedule.

सुश्री अनुसुइया उइके: माननीय सभापति महोदय, माननीय मंत्री जी ने 'क' से 'घ' तक मेरे प्रश्नों के सम्बन्ध में उत्तर दिया है कि भारत हैवी इलेक्ट्रिकल्स लिमिटेड द्वारा प्रति वर्ष विभिन्न एककों के लिए 2006-07 में उन्होंने जो उत्पादन लक्ष्य निर्धारित किया है, इसमें उन्होंने निर्धारित लक्ष्य के अनुरूप जो उत्पादन बताया है, मैं उदाहरण के तौर पर यह बताना चाहती हूं कि मध्य प्रदेश में जो हैवी इलेक्ट्रिकल इक्विपमेंट संयंत्र है, उसका उन्होंने 2006-07 में निर्धारित लक्ष्य का 2884 करोड़ रुपए का आंकड़ा दिया है, तीसरी तिमाही तक 1109 करोड़ रुपए का आंकड़ा दिया है और इसके बाद अनन्तिम माह में उन्होंने जो बताया हे, वह 1464 करोड़ रुपया है। चूंकि वित्त वर्ष अब समाप्ति पह है, इसमें कुछ ही दिन शेष हैं और अभी केवल 50 प्रतिशत ही इसका लक्ष्य प्राप्त हुआ है, मैं माननीय मंत्री जी से यह पूछना चाहती हूं कि निर्धारित लक्ष्य के अनुरूप उत्पादन क्यों नहीं किया जा सका है तथा इस अवधि में उत्पादन का निर्धारित लक्ष्य कैसे प्राप्त किया जाएगा, जबकि केवल 15 दिन बाकी है?

श्री सभापति: आप 15 दिन में कोई करामात दिखाइए।

SHRI SANTOSH MOHAN DEV: Mr. Chairman, Sir, the Bhopal unit has always traditionally produced more, and even during the last quarter has produced more than the other quarters, and the average is 40 per cent. And during the third quarter, especially, during 2006, there were floods and heavy rains. That is why, the movement of heavy machinery from one factory to the other became difficult and due to which there is this overlapping. But, you will be happy to know that we have since recovered, and we will be able to achieve the target that was fixed.

सुश्री अनुसुइया उइके: माननीय सभापति महोदय, माननीय मंत्री जी से यह भी जानना चाहती हूं कि उत्पादन के निर्धारित लक्ष्य की पूर्ति न होने से हुई हानि की भरपाई कैसे होगी और इसके लिए कौन जिम्मेदार होंगे? मेरा दूसरा प्रश्न यह है कि उत्पादन लक्ष्य की पूर्ति न होने से उपक्रमों को कितनी राशि का नुकसान होने की संभावना है?

SHRI SANTOSH MOHAN DEV: Sir, we have covered this deficit. So, there is no question of fixation of any responsibility. But, in production sometimes, up and down is normal. We will try to overcome that, and there is no question of giving punishment to anybody.

SHRI SILVIUS CONDPAN: In view of the answer given by hon. Minister, Sir, I would like to put a supplementary. In the Eleventh Plan, it is expected that there will be a number of super critical power plants to clean and efficient energy production. Is the BHEL ready with super critical knowledge and are they competitive?

SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV: Sir, the BHEL has entered into an agreement with Elstorm of France and the GEC to see that it can match the competitive price from China and other foreign countries. We are preparing accordingly. In one of the recent bids, we have lost because we could not match the price. But now we are in a position to match the price and about 8-10 super critical plants will be produced in various parts of the country to fill up the target for the Eleventh Five Year Plan. I am sure that in future tenders, we will be getting some of these super critical plants.

SHRI TAPAN KUMAR SEN: Sir, whatever work the BHEL is doing, it is doing by competition. Not even a single project which it is executing, it has got without competition. It has not got any project without competition. The target, the fixation process, in the BHEL is based partly on assumption because the orders are not confirmed in time. As a result, in the middle of the year when the confirmed order comes, then they have to fulfil the contract in half of the year, which should have been done in the process of one year. So, some idle period also goes in this process. My question to the hon. Minister is, in consultation and collaboration with the Power Ministry, whether they will ensure that, instead of bundling of the order and dumping it on BHEL in the middle of the year and creating difficulty in the achievement of the target, some system is evolved, so that the order is confirmed in time and the time consumed between the confirming of the order and receipt of the expression of interest is minimised. That will help more in harnessing the full potential of this *Navratna* company.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Please leave some time for the Minister to answer.

SHRI TAPAN KUMAR SEN: My request to the Minister is whether he would ensure that ...(*Interruption*)... Sir, this is my last point — the ultra mega power project, the NTPC and the BHEL combine, should be assigned.

SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV: Sir, fortunately, we are booked heavily for the whole year. So, the question of getting order belatedly or at an early date deoes not arise. But what the hon. Member is saying is also a fact because the Budget is being given in March and the allocations come later, that means, after two-three months. The orders from the States and others comea bit late, but we are tying up for this. Because we have got heavy profits, we are expanding some of our plans, so that in future—including Bhopal, there is a lot of improvement—there is no problem in future. This will allow us to increase our power by more than fifteen per cemt.

DR. K. MALAISAMY: Sir, I am very happy that after four days, I finally got a change to put a question.

MR. CHAIRMAN: No; not four days.

DR. K. MALAISAMY: Sir, I will put a simple question for the relief and relaxation of the hon. Minister. I am interested in knowing how the targets are being fixed. What is the basis or the parameters of fixing the targets? I would like to know whether while doing so, you go as per the conventional methods of taking into account the earlier performance or the last year's performance, etc. Or, whether you are taking into account the potentiality of the place, the potentiality of the infrastructure, the potentiality of the man and material for this purpose, and take a comprehensive view and then fix up the target accordingly.

SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV: Sir, this exercise is very simple. We have got orders. We receive the demands from various States, including the Eleventh Plan target which will be taken into consideration. They fix up the target and that is distributed over the Plan period. We always keep a margin taking into account even the orders that did not come. At present, I am happy to say that we are contributing 67 per cent of the total demand of the power sector of the country and all our machinery are doing well. So, there is no dearth of orders and we accordingly prepare ourselves.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Question Hour is over.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO STARRED QUESTIONS

New international airport at Bangalore

*201. DR. VIJAY MALLYA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that April 1, 2008 is the official date for inauguration of the new international airport in Bangalore;

(b) whether, with barely a year left, Government have not decided on a name for the airport like other international airports which are named at the project stage, if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the date-line for completion of access route to the airport as this airport will not just serve the State of Karnataka but be a symbol of new India; and